THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Yes, Sir. On 04.04.2005, there was a fire incident in 3008 Dn Udyan Abha Toofan Express between Darauli and Dildarnagar stations in Mughalsarai-Danapur Section of Danapur Division of East Central Railway.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Commissioner of Railway Safety/Eastern Circle is inquiring into this incident. In this incident there was no loss to human life. The damage to Railway property costing approximately Rs. 1 crore 40 lakh has been reported.

Bogibeel Project

3992. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that exhaustion of allocated funds caused to sluggishness in the progress of work on the bogibeel project and allocated Rs. 60 crores by the Railway Ministry have been spent to pamper the whims of senior officials on wasteful expenditure;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether two more railway bridges at Nemati near Jorhat and Dholla in Tinsukia over river Brahmaputra have been sanctioned; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Construction of Freight Corridors by Private Sectors

3993. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to open up three sections to private sectors for construction of freight corridors to cater to rising demand from transportation of goods by rail from hinter-land to ports; and